

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-8 are amended so that they are now directed to nanoparticles. Claims 9-12 are now directed to composite materials. Original claims 13-17, directed to a luminescent device, are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added to the application based upon these amendments.

If the Patent Examiner has any questions or comments, he/she is respectfully requested to contact applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below so that additional amendments may be added as required. Finally, it is believed that no fee is required in connection with this amendment. However, if there are any additional charges, please charge the required fee to Applicants' deposit account number 19-5425.

Respectfully submitted,



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